

# Benefits at a Glance



Age	Social Security Benefits	Medicaid and Medicare	Other Benefits/ websites
	<p><b>Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI):</b>  <b>To Qualify:</b>                      -Contributed to SS trust fund by working- amount of time worked determines award amount                      -Age 65 or older                      -Diagnosed disability that affects work ability</p> <p><b>Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI):</b> designed to “supplement” income to meet basic needs  <b>To Qualify:</b>                      -Meet Social security’s definition of disabled                      -Meet income*/resource** limit</p> <p>Limits once SSI has been awarded:                      -\$2000 is the resource limit at any given time                      -\$794 monthly max for benefit                      -If Social security benefits are awarded, Medicaid is typically applied for automatically</p>	<p><b>Medicaid (MO HealthNet):</b>                      Supports low-income families and children who cannot have access to health insurance or people with disabilities, seniors and Blind.</p> <p><b>Asset limit:</b> \$5000                      -People with disabilities: can “spenddown” if income exceeds Medicaid maximum – similar to a monthly premium</p> <p><b>Medicare:</b> Insurance that assists with hospital, office visits and prescription costs  <b>To qualify:</b>                      -65 years or older                      -Received SSDI or CDB benefits for 2 years</p>	<p><b>Websites:</b>  <b>Social Security:</b> <a href="http://www.ssa.gov">www.ssa.gov</a>  <b>Medicaid information</b>  <a href="https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare">https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare</a>  <a href="https://www.medicaidplanningassistance.org">https://www.medicaidplanningassistance.org</a></p> <p>*income: money received in the current month, either earned (paycheck) or unearned (SSI benefit check)                      **resource: money saved from a previous month</p> <p>Other Helpful resources:  <b>ABLE accounts:</b> open an ABLE account if funds are reaching the maximum benefit level. ABLE accounts do not count as resources <a href="http://www.moable.com">www.moable.com</a></p> <p><b>SNAP:</b> food stamps- visit <a href="https://mydss.mo.gov">https://mydss.mo.gov</a> for information and to apply</p>
Children Birth-17 years old	<p><b>SSI:</b> fill out application, collect required documents, meet eligibility requirements. SSI will look at parent’s income and resources  <b>SSDI:</b> not applicable under 18</p>	<p><b>Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIPs)</b> assists families whose income is too high for Medicaid</p>	<p>Use the social security and Medicaid websites to access much information on available benefits for Children</p>
Adult 18 and older	<p><b>SSI-</b> Continue to meet eligibility and income/resource requirements                      If working must submit wages monthly- SSI counts less than half of working wages as countable income  <b>SSDI:</b> meet eligibility requirements, many work incentives are available to help one work and receive benefits  <b>CDB:</b> Childhood Disability Benefits: adult children with a disability that began before 22 can receive a benefit off of their parent’s work history</p>	<p><b>MO HealthNet:</b> provides health insurance                      - additional assistance through various waivers with Department of Mental Health Support Coordination; ex: residential placement, day services, vocational training</p>	<p><b>If Employed:</b> Many work incentives are available to assist in maximizing benefits while working                      Visit: <a href="https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch">https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch</a>                      Select “Work Incentive Policy” link</p>

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